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Notes and Comments.

WHAT has become of "Church News?" Have our pastors and churches gone into "Summer quarters?" Let no one imagine that the devil takes any summer vacations.

THE *Religious Telescope* very truthfully says: "The secret of success in editing a paper lies in two things: Knowing what to put into the paper, and what to leave out—chiefly the latter."

THE second issue of EVANGELIST in May will contain a symposium on, "How to Study the Bible Profitably." There will be from seven to ten short articles on the subject, by ministers of the Brethren church.

THIS is the last issue in which the "Special Announcement" on page 15 will appear. If you desire this book, please sign and return the advanced order sheet at once. Preachers, Sunday-school teachers, Superintendents, and others should have a copy of this book. One brother has ordered *six* copies.

THIS is the first issue of the EVANGELIST without the regular "Church News," since we have charge of the paper. Tell us about your church work even if you have no accessions. It is one thing to take people into the church; it is quite another to keep busy in the Master's service, but none the less a work.

WE have issued another edition of tract No. 3, "Why I am a Member of the Brethren Church" by brother J. C. Mackey. This is an excellent tract and sells at 10 cents per dozen, or 40 cents per 100.

IN this issue will be found an article by Z. Grenell, on "Misfit Methods in Church Work." Other articles, by the same author, will follow, one on "Place of the Anecdote in Public Discourse," and another on "Profitable Versatility in the Ministry."

OUR list of tracts is being revised and new ones added. Within a few weeks we hope to be able to advertise at least *ten* different tracts, including old and new ones, all of which are numbered. We will then continue a standing advertisement of these tracts.

DO you attend Sabbath-school where our literature is used? If not send us *ten* cents and we will mail you, one Brethren Quarterly, one Youth's, four Nos. of *Cheering Words* and four Nos. of *Our Little Folks*.

THE Maryland and Virginia Conference meets at Maurertown, Va., instead of Hagerstown, Md., as announced last week. The Conference opens May 19. Maurertown is 57 miles south of Harper's Ferry, on the valley branch of the B. & O. Those coming from the north change cars at Harper's Ferry.

UNDER date of April 10, brother J. L. Gillin writes: "I desire to congratulate you on the last issue of the EVANGELIST. I've just finished reading it. The symposium is very fine. I shall save it for future reference. It shows what talent we have in the church, if only called forth. Hope you will treat us with such another feast soon and often." Thank you, brother, we appreciate what you say. Such words will be more helpful in giving the church a good paper, than a whole volume of grumbling.

PLEASE remember that brother J. D. McFaden is manager of the tract work. If you have any manuscript which you think should be printed in tract form, send it to J. D. McFaden, Carleton, Neb. He will review it and send to us for publication if desirable for publication.

FROM a letter by J. D. Wicks, Preston, Neb., we take the following: "The quarterlies are new to us and we are well pleased with them. Think they are far ahead of Cook's. Hope we can do good work with them." Thank you brother, it affords us pleasure to know that our efforts are appreciated. The quarterly contains 40 pages, filled with instructive reading matter and lesson helps. The cover pages are free from advertisement.

IN the article on "The Lord's Supper," by Brother Gillin, published last week, appears an error, near the bottom of last column on page 6. It reads: "Does the history of the church show that in all the centuries of moral darkness" etc. It should read: The history of the church in all the centuries does show moral darkness, depravity, apostasy from God, but no improvement on the simple godliness of Jesus, nor his methods of work.

WE call special attention to our "Offer Extraordinary" on page 14. It appeared as an editorial in last week's issue and is continued in this number. *Please read it carefully..* Note that *seven* premiums are offered, and that in case you fail to get any one of these premiums, you are nevertheless being well paid for your trouble. Suppose you get *three* new subscribers, and yet fail to get one of the premiums. For your *three* subscribers you get a book worth \$2.50 or *fifteen* copies of "Parable of Horrors" etc. It is not likely that more than *six* new subscribers are required to get even the best of the premiums, or at least not more than ten; perhaps not more than four or five. *It will be worth your while* to get as many new subscribers as possible.